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Note verbale dated 4 June 2013 from the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) concerning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and has the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Government of Greece on measures taken in order to effectively implement the relevant provisions of Security Council resolution 2094 (2013) (see annex).

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Annex to the note verbale dated 4 June 2013 from the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

Report of the Government of Greece regarding the implementation of Security Council resolution 2094 (2013)

Greece has the honour to inform the Security Council of the measures it has taken with a view to implementing the provisions of Council resolution 2094 (2013).

According to Law 92/1967 on the implementation of Security Council resolutions, any resolution based on Article 41 of the Charter of the United Nations, which is mandatory for Member States in accordance with Article 25 of the Charter, is: (a) published in the Official Gazette by Decision of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and (b) implemented by way of a Presidential Decree. Such Decree further specifies the prohibitions provided for in the resolution and the measures necessary for its implementation. Any violation of the provisions of the aforementioned Presidential Decree is subject to imprisonment for up to five years, or to a fine, or both.

As far as Security Council resolution 2094 (2013) is concerned, Ministerial Decision No. F4980/AS 15595 was issued and published in the Official Gazette on 12 April 2013 and the relevant Presidential Decree is being drafted.

Moreover, the Bank of Greece has issued advice to all Greek banking institutions instructing them to implement the provisions of Security Council resolution 2094 (2013), according to which they have to run the necessary electronic checks on their clients, as well as on the persons and entities doing business with them, in order to ascertain whether those persons and entities fall under the scope of the resolution.

For its part, the Greek authority responsible for combating money-laundering and the financing of terrorism has informed all Greek entities concerned (the Athens Stock Exchange, bar associations, centres selling foreign currency, banks etc.) of the adoption of Security Council resolution 2094 (2013) and instructed them to implement strictly the sanctions contained therein.

In addition, all Greek customs authorities have been notified of the provisions of resolution 2094 (2013) and have been instructed to start implementing them immediately.

Greece, as a member State of the European Union, is also bound by Council regulation 296/2013 and Commission implementing regulation 370/2013, as well as Council Decision 2013/183/CFSP, which have been recently adopted with a view to implementing the latest United Nations sanctions against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.